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North Carolina Powerball Players Win \$900,000 in Top Prizes

**-Trenton Woman Wins \$200,000 with Winning Powerball Ticket-
-Lottery Sales Hit a Record \$34 Million!-**

RALEIGH-Eleven lucky North Carolina players won prizes ranging from \$400,000 to \$10,000 in Saturday's Powerball drawing. Tellorrie Brown of **Trenton** matched all five white balls and won \$200,000. She purchased her ticket at Coward's Red & White on Highway 58 North in Trenton, and plans to use her winnings to pay bills and invest for her future.

Two additional tickets matched all five white balls in Saturday's drawing. One ticket was sold at the Kangaroo Express #818 on Old N.C. 86 in **Hillsborough** and was Power Played. The Power Play number was 2, which means the \$200,000 prize was multiplied by 2, making the ticket worth \$400,000. The other ticket—sold at the JR Food Mart on South Main Street in **Lillington**—is worth \$200,000.

Eight tickets in Saturday's drawing matched four out of five white balls plus the Powerball. Two of these tickets, sold in **Concord** and **Lincolnton**, were Power Played, which raised the prize from \$10,000 to \$20,000. Six tickets, worth \$10,000 each, were sold in **Asheboro**, **Boiling Springs**, **Garner**, **Greenville**, **Lexington** and **Rural Hall**. Powerball's winning jackpot ticket worth \$275 million was sold in West Virginia.

A total of 113,718 North Carolina Powerball players won prizes in the Saturday, March 15, drawing, ranging from \$400,000 down to \$3 for a total payout in prizes worth \$1,537,541. The jackpot for the Wednesday, March 19, drawing is \$15 million.

The North Carolina Education Lottery (NCEL) had another record week in sales. Sales for the week of March 9 – 14 totaled over \$34 million! This was an increase of more than \$4 million from the previous week.

"Because of the Powerball jackpot and another strong week of instant ticket sales, we are pleased to report the second record week in a row," said Tom Shaheen, executive director of the NCEL.

The NCEL has paid out more than \$6.5 million total in instant scratch-off ticket prizes since Thursday, March 13. Also since Thursday, "Carolina Cash 5" players have won more than \$108,000 and "Carolina Pick 3" players have won more than \$738,000 in prizes.

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Winners in the March 15 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Unknown		\$400,000	Kangaroo Express #818 2015 Old N.C. 86, Hillsborough
Tellorrie Brown	Trenton	\$200,000	Coward's Red & White 372 Hwy. 58 North, Trenton
Unknown		\$200,000	JR Food Mart 920 S. Main St., Lillington
Larry Tucker	Lincolnton	\$20,000	Falls Quick Stop 4999 East Hwy. 150, Lincolnton
Edith Barnett	Kannapolis	\$20,000	Carolina Fast Mart #3 3358 Hwy. 601, Concord
Haymon Hicks	Lexington	\$10,000	Compare Foods 800 S. Main St., Lexington
Unknown		\$10,000	Quik Chek #10 1634 Zoo Pkwy., Asheboro
Unknown		\$10,000	Campus Store #146 123 N. Main St., Boiling Springs
Unknown		\$10,000	Food Lion #1279 75 Glen Rd., Garner
Unknown		\$10,000	Kroger #358 3040 Evans St., Greenville
Unknown		\$10,000	4 Brothers #206 7895 Broad St., Rural Hall

Winner in the March 8 "Carolina Cash 5" drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Darren Goodman	Wilmington	\$61,706	Handee Hugo #34 3706 Shipyard Blvd., Clinton

Winners in the March 12 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Cynthia Kyles	Statesville	\$10,000	Kerr Drug #227 533 N. Main St., Troutman
Rodolfo Gallardo	Linwood	\$10,000	Bills Truck Stop, Inc. 1210 Snider Kines Rd., Linwood
Diem Van Mai	Creswell	\$10,000	Food Lion #2110 625 Hwy. 64 E., Columbia

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Instant scratch-off ticket top tier prize winners:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Game Played</u>
Brigitte Lindsay	Winston-Salem	\$20,000	"20 Grand"
Randy Carter	Locust	\$10,000	"\$100 Million Cash Spectacular"
James Holmes	Fremont	\$10,000	"\$100 Million Cash Spectacular"
John Taylor	Henderson	\$10,000	"\$100 Million Cash Spectacular"
Jonathan Beal	Sophia	\$7,000	"Super 7s"
Vivian Hunt	East Flat Rock	\$7,000	"Super 7s"
Darren Kirby	Albemarle	\$7,000	"Super 7s"
Bryant Davis	Roxboro	\$5,000	"\$100 Million Cash Spectacular"
Barbara Foster	Castalia	\$5,000	"\$100 Million Cash Spectacular"
Annie Goldston	Liberty	\$5,000	"\$100 Million Cash Spectacular"
Ann Miller	Robbins	\$5,000	"\$100 Million Cash Spectacular"
Shantel Reese	Greensboro	\$5,000	"\$100 Million Cash Spectacular"
Eugene Royster	Knightdale	\$5,000	"\$100 Million Cash Spectacular"
Robert Suggs	Snow Hill	\$5,000	"\$100 Million Cash Spectacular"
Ernesto Troches	Charlotte	\$5,000	"\$100 Million Cash Spectacular"
Dorris Troxler	Burlington	\$5,000	"\$150,000 Cash Zone"

"Carolina Cash 5" Top Prize Winners Tally

<u>Prize</u>	<u># of winners</u>
\$50,000 to \$856,998	112

Powerball Winners Tally

<u>Prize</u>	<u># of winners</u>
\$1 Million - \$200,000	94
\$50,000 - \$10,000	562

(The Powerball numbers above are since May 31, 2006,
but do not include unclaimed prizes.)

100% of the North Carolina Education Lottery net proceeds are used for pre-kindergarten programs for at risk youth, reduction of class size in early grades, school construction and college scholarships for need-based individuals.